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LIEB ASKED TO GRANT TEMPORARY RESTRAINT

Complaint Says School Bond Election Illegal—Want to Enjoin Board from Sell- ing Bonds

Attorney H. B. Woodward, of Woodward & Blue, left Tuesday evening for Tucumcari to appear before Judge Lieb to attempt to secure a temporary restraining order to prevent the sale of \$35,000 school bonds, the restraining order being the prologue of an attempt to secure a permanent injunction against Simon Herzstein, president of the Board of Education, to prevent him from signing the bonds, H. H. Errett, County Superintendent, to prevent him from approving them, and Nestor C. de Baca to prevent him from countersigning the bonds. The complainants are, according to report, R. W. Isaacs, M. Herzstein, H. Herzstein, C. Otto, M. C. Johnson, W. C. Barnhart, A. C. Miera, D. W. Snyder, Thos. S. Snyder, Carl Eklund, Edw. W. Fox and G. G. Granville.

The information upon which the restraint is asked alleges that the bond election was illegal, the boundaries of the School District No. 1 are "not marked" according to law, and that the bonds were not drawn and deposited for inspection with the county treasurer as provided by law.

Attorney O. P. Easterwood, representing the Board of Education, S. Herzstein, Dr. Edmondson and W. A. Henderson left today to present information which, it is claimed, will block the movement to obtain the temporary restraining order.

Until noon today no report had been received as to whether the court granted the restraining order.

The Reigelman Concert

While the crowd that attended the Mabel Reigelman concert Monday night was not as large as the affair merited there was sufficient number present to substantiate assertion that Clayton has many people who appreciate this class of music.

Miss Reigelman, so ably assisted by Lila Austin Myers, of Amarillo, accompanist, won in our little city the same admiration and applause characterized her career as a singer in nearly every big city in the United States and many of Europe.

We do not feel capable of saying anything that can appropriately portray Miss Reigelman's ability—a clipping from the Chicago News put simply and in a few words, our own conclusion after witnessing and hearing Miss Reigelman's program: "Miss Reigelman proved herself to be a musician of the highest type and an artist to her dainty finger tips."

The reputation of Miss Reigelman extends even beyond the borders of our own land. Miss Myers, although not of wide reputation as an accompanist, has shown herself in this performance to have marked ability and was so adjudged by a number of competent critics who were present and enjoyed the evening's program. Clayton was just a little weak in its patronage of this high class musical treat, and in this, as well as every other phase of our community life, should seek for the best and be strong for it. It means much to us to choose and to be put on record as supporting the BEST.

Miss Reigelman is a niece of R. W. Isaacs and it was through their relationship that Miss Reigelman was secured for a performance here. Miss Reigelman left for Dalhart Tuesday to catch the Golden State limited to Kansas City where she joins the Boston Grand Opera company as prima donna soprano.

Farber Buys Residence

H. C. Farber closed a deal last week with Robt. P. Ervien for the handsome residence property on the west side known as the Ervien property. Mr. Farber intends to take possession about the first of the month.

Glass Suffering

It seems that a malady that affects the equilibrium of folks has struck Clayton and that the wobbliness takes place in front of windows. W. C. Barnhart's grocery was the victim of a broken window resulting from a scuffle between officer Eliseo Martinez and Francisco Garcia when the latter fell against the pane and shattered it. Garcia was resisting arrest, a sequence to trouble with Frank Casados. Garcia was released Saturday. He created a disturbance later at the Pullman Cafe and was again transferred to the county jug by Lon Cash. He was again released Sunday.

Another smashed glass is at the Western Union telegraph office. An unknown party toppled into it, Tuesday.

Man Dropped Sack of Dynamite, Lives Two Hours

Isam Williams, of Folsom, lived two hours after he had dropped a sack of dynamite Monday, the explosion of which tore both legs from his body and nearly severed one of his arms. The explosion also wrecked the office of a livery barn where the accident occurred. Williams' wife was not aware of the accident until he had died, he refusing to allow friends to inform her. It is reported that Williams was intoxicated.

Williams was about 35 years old. He is survived by a wife and two children.

Williams was formerly employed as a deputy sheriff in Union county. He had a splendid record as a horse-thief catcher, and bore marks of several battles with rustlers.

He was shot three years ago while acting as deputy sheriff.

Fans Have Meeting

A bunch of enthusiastic ball fans got together Wednesday night for a preliminary pow-wow which bids fair to set the ball whirling in direction of a baseball team. Luther George was appointed business manager pro tem, whose duty it will be to round up everybody to promote interest in a first class amateur ball team. Another meeting was called for Sunday night and everybody is urged to be on hand to help perfect the organization. Clayton has the advantage of having a very well equipped ball park and has experienced timber to perform on the diamond. The only disadvantage of a local league proposition is the distance between the various towns able to support a team.

However, if a ball team can be organized, and its affairs conducted in big league style we feel sure that Clayton will reap material benefit from it, beside the clean amusement it will afford during the summer.

The Citizen believes that if a county meeting could be held and have representatives from the smaller inland towns some new light might be shed on the problem. Both Stead and Vance are playing in weekly games. The smaller towns, situated close together, could produce combination teams that would make good showings against Clayton, Texline and Des Moines.

Union County Unique Record

Through County Supt. H. H. Errett we learn several rather remarkable and altogether interesting facts concerning Union County's educational affairs.

Union county has more teachers than any other county in the state.

Teachers salary scale is lower than in any other county. Yet Union county's teachers rank first in the efficiency test.

Bernalillo county, of which Albuquerque is the county seat, is Union's closest rival as to the number of teachers, yet Union county school expense is much lower than that county's.

Proportionately Union county has a much lower expense than any other county in the state and disregarding proportion it is lower than a majority of counties.

At the Head of His Class

Attorney Jack Harris made his daily visit to the station Monday and as usual Snagged the final Pink Sheet Extra.

Seeking a convenient telephone post he leaned against it to repose and speculate on the relative beauty of the ladies whose photos graced the Pink Rag.

While engrossed thusly an omnipresent representative of that Sunday school class which is known by the rival Red and Blue divisions, approached the attorney. The representative was one of Clayton's popular young ladies.

"Do you attend Sunday school Mr. Harris," asked the young lady. Jack confessed that he used to.

Won't you come and be a member of our class," solicited the young lady. Jack opined that it might be arranged.

"We want you to be on the Red side," said the y. l.

"That's funny," said Jack, "I am on that side now—you know I've been on the Red side all my life, the cashier informed me this morning that I was still leading the bunch on the Red side."

But regardless of that Jack says he may take a notion to attend Sunday school.

"Green Goods" Wouldn't Work

Bluestone is a versatile substance—one of its uses being as an element that assists to generate electricity in the charging of storage batteries.

Operator Miss Lipperd, at the Western Union office decided that the "juice" was getting a trifle weak and that the batteries needed rejuvenating.

She found some stuff that from appearance might have borne slight relationship to bluestone—but on account of its color "greenstone" would have been an appropriate name.

She filled the glass jars full of the pretty green goods.

But the batteries didn't rejuvenate worth a darn.

In fact, they showed indications of "shuffling off the mortal coil."

Miss Lipperd decided that a change of physicians might help matters.

She sent out an S. O. S. and Frank Clark heard and answered.

He diagnosed the case of the waning batteries—

He discovered that instead of using bluestone Miss Lipperd had filled the jars with sweeping compound.

Cupid's Business Picking Up

Rev. A. P. Gaines officiated at three weddings the first of the week. Keith Dubbs and Irma Shelton, both of Des Moines, were married Tuesday. The couple will make their home on a ranch seven miles west of Des Moines.

Fred C. Ley of Wanette, and Mabel Coulson of north of Clayton were married Wednesday afternoon. They will reside on a ranch near Wanette. A. B. Ellis, and Lulu Hamilton both of Pasamonte were married Wednesday. They will reside at Pasamonte. The Citizen extends best wishes to the newly-weds.

SAVE 'EM

It is only a matter of a short time until somebody in Clayton will begin dealing in rags and papers. The scarcity of raw material for the manufacture of paper is demanding it. Waste paper is now bringing a higher price than ever before—the last quotations being \$15 per ton.

Ladies Aid Secures Library

Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. church, has secured a circulating library which has been installed at the church. About 50 volumes are now on hand, works of well-known authors of juvenile literature. The ladies announce the books may be secured free of charge each Sunday morning prior to Sunday school services.

If you read the news you read The Citizen.

Flower Sale at Wade's

Geo. H. Wade has a unique sale scheduled for Monday, April 17th. Being a flower "farmer" Mr. Wade is naturally interested in promoting flower culture here. He is causing to be shipped to Clayton 1000 real live plants, some of them in bloom, others ready, others that won't bloom because they are not the blooming kind—the lot consisting of geranium, rose, fern, begonia, gladioli, Easter and callilies, etc., etc. Each plant will be quartered in a paper pot. George says Clayton folks will have a chance to get plants at a lower price than

SINGERS AT HAYDEN

All songsters are cordially invited to attend the convention of the Union County Singer at Hayden Sunday, April 30th. There will be a big dinner and an all day program.

Bottling Works Begins Grinding

"Chief bottle washer" is no longer a vernacular metaphor in Clayton—if you don't believe it visit the Axar Mercantile Company and inspect the rear of that establishment and you will find temporary quarters of the Azar Bottling Works and two or three boys industriously washing bottles.

Mr. Azar found it necessary to get his equipment busy turning out bottled soft drinks and although cramped for room he is supplying the local demand. As soon as his stock of merchandise is moved to a building on Main street Mr. Azar intends to utilize the present building exclusively for the bottling works. When running full blast the plant will have a capacity of 300 cases of 24 bottles to the case and employ from 10 to 20 people.

This is the only plant of its kind in northeast New Mexico and stands an excellent show to be very lucrative proposition. Mr. Azar is owner of stores in Trinidad and a store and bottling works in Raton.

Kilburn to Minnesota for Operation

Frank Kilburn left Thursday for Minnesota where he will enter the famous Mayo Brothers hospital to undergo an operation for appendicitis. He was accompanied by his father, W. D. Kilburn.

Crowd Attends Sunday Dinner

A. L. Ratcliff, superintendent of the Kitts Sunday school, reported that a big crowd enjoyed the delectable dinner at the school house Sunday. Rev. J. Q. Herrin preached an interesting sermon.

Firemen's Benefit Carnival

Carnival attraction will play a week's engagement in Clayton beginning Monday, April 24th. A per cent of the proceeds will go to the Clayton Fire Department.

C. & S. Will Improve

According to Agent H. C. Farber, the C. & S. will improve their yardage facilities here in the near future. The passing track will be extended and another siding added on the west side of the station.

Stop School Building

Attorney Joseph Gill made a trip to Tucumcari, Monday night as representative of John Tignor, Bill Sharp, John Walker and Wm. E. Alvey, who petition district Judge Lieb to enjoin school directors of District 93 and H. McCook, Ernest Hott, Jess Roller, James Hilfiker, John Johnson and

Dotum from continuing, it is reported, the construction of a school building in District 93 and citing them to appear before Judge Lieb to show cause why they should complete the building.

Have your favorite Kodak picture (of anything) sketched in ink, crayon, or water color. Leave orders at Lord's Electric Studio.

CEMETERY DAMAGED IN WIND DRIVEN BLAZE

Sparks From Engine Start Fire that Sweeps 400 Acres and Burns Many Posts

Fire said to have originated from sparks from a passing freight on the C. & S. swept northward over approximately 400 acres of grass land, burning posts and destroying fences and doing between \$200 and \$300 worth of damage in the Clayton cemetery Tuesday. The fire started on the John Boyd place and driven by a high wind threatened to soon spread beyond control. Chas. A. Law was one of the losers, the entire amount of his grass land being burned. About 100 men left town to fight the blaze which, fortunately was controlled.

Salado Schools Close

The Salado school which was taught by Epifanio Garcia, closed a very successful term on the 24th of March, and the event was celebrated by an entertainment, prepared and rendered by the pupils under the direction of their teacher, and a most pleasant time was had. Prof. Garcia made an address in which he emphasized the need of education for the rising generation, both for the English and Spanish speaking people.

An evening entertainment was given which consisted of several interesting addresses, the opening address being made by the teacher, Mr. Garcia, who was followed by Mr. R. D. Casados, Mr. Marcus Sanchez and Albert Sanchez. The principal address of the evening was delivered by County Supt. H. H. Errett, who spoke on the subject "A Broader View of Education," in which he emphasized the work of the boys and girls industrial clubs and their importance as a part of the regular school work. The Salado district has organized clubs and the girls had on display samples of their work in the culinary department of their domestic science work which showed marked ability in this line.

After the program was over the girls industrial club served coffee and cake as refreshments. The work in this district is under the leadership of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Casados.

Popular Young Folks Marry

Ed Utterback and Virginia Hittson slipped one over their many friends by going away on the simple mission, presumably, to bring friends home from Mineral Wells, Texas. They brought the friends home all right, but the popular young folks came home as Mr. and Mrs. Utterback, having been married at Mineral Wells, March 20th. Following is a portion of the story of the wedding in the Mineral Wells News:

"A quiet wedding was consummated in the study of Pastor R. A. Highsmith of the Central Christian church. The contracting parties were Mr. Ed Utterback and Miss Virginia Hittson. The happy couple left today for their future home in New Mexico."

Mrs. Utterback has been in Clayton for nearly two years, coming here from Des Moines, where her parents live. She has been employed in Clayton with various business firms in the capacity of stenographer. She is very handsome and popular.

Ed is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Utterback. Everybody knows him and The Citizen feels sure that everybody extends to him and his bride their best wishes for a long and prosperous life.

Mr. and Mrs. Utterback returned from Mineral Wells, Monday night. They will go to the Utterback ranch to reside.

Tinsley Will Manage Store

Geo. Tinsley of Clayton has moved his family to Marion Center, where he will take charge of the W. C. Barnhart store, succeeding John Ley.